The Gujarat Government had requested for a liberal package of assistance to sick textile units. In this respect two schemes, one for the rehabilitation of sick but potentially viable textile mills, and the other for their modernisation are already in operation,

Sardar Sarwar Project

58: SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state;

(a) what are the project stages of Sardar Sarovar Project on Narmada river and what will be the cost of the project state-wise;

(b) what are the submergence aspects in terms of villages and population affected and forest and culturable land submerged by the project

(c) what are the project benefits in terms of overall development of beneficiary States;

(d) what will be the employment generation for the construction of the main dam, power house and canal systems of the project; and

(e) what is the total annual revenue expected from the project when completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Sardar Sarovar Project estimated to cost Rs. 5793 crores (November, 1984) is to be built in a single stage.

(b) The project will affect a population of 66,700 in 234 villages. The likely subzmergence is about 37 thousand hectares including 13 thousand hectares of forest land and 11 thousand hectares of culturable land

(c) An annual irrigation of 17.92 lakh hectares in Gujarat and 0.73 lakh hectares in Rajasthan is envisaged The total installed power generating capacity will be 1450 MW. The power generated is to be shared by Madhya Pradesh Maharashtra and Gujarat in the ratio of 57:27:16.

(d) and (e) Precise details for different components have not been worked out.

Inflationary rate

59. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT: SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present rate of inflation in terma of the wholesale prices and what Was the rate in 1985-86 and 1986-87; and

(b) what was the wholesale price index during the week ended January 16 1988 and what was the figure for the corresponding period last year- i.e. on January 16, 1987?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Rate of inflation on a point to point basis measured in terms of wholesale price index (1970-71—100) was as under;

	Annual rate of inflation (as on end January)
1985-86	5.8
1986-87	5.4
1987-88	9.6

(b) The wholesale price index during the week ended January 16th, 1988 stood at 415.7 as against 377.9 on January 17th, 1987.

Decline in export growth rate

60. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that adverse balance of trade of the country is expected to reach the level of Rs. 43,000 crores by the end of the Seventh Plan period in view of the shortfall in the export growth rate and increase in imports; and